

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1. (Currently Amended) A personal computer comprising:
a housing;
a ~~built-in~~ microphone built into the housing for detecting ambient noise;
a processor integrated into the housing, the microphone being coupled to the processor;
a noise cancellation module ~~coupled to the microphone that generates~~ operable on the processor, the noise cancellation module generating a noise cancellation signal responsive to the ~~detected~~ ambient noise detected by the microphone; and
a digital signal processor ~~for mixing~~ coupled to the noise cancellation module and configured to mix the noise cancellation signal with an audio signal provided from a desired source ~~for provision~~ , the digital signal processor being connected to a standard headphone compatible audio output connection integrated on the housing to reduce ~~headphone~~ noise perceived by a user of a headphone connected to the standard headphone compatible audio output connection.

2. (Currently Amended) The personal computer of claim 1 ~~and~~ further comprising an optical disc drive integrated into the housing of the computer for providing the audio signal.

3. (Previously Presented) The personal computer of claim 1 wherein the noise cancellation module comprises a software program running on a processor.

4. (Currently Amended) The personal computer of claim [[[1]]] 3 wherein the ~~microprocessor~~ processor is the central processing unit for the computer system.

5. (Currently Amended) The personal computer of claim 1 wherein the digital signal processor is located on a sound board integrated into the housing.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously Presented) The personal computer of claim 1 wherein the computer system is a mobile computer.

8. (Currently Amended) A method of reducing ambient noise normally heard by a user through headphones when listening to audio provided via a mobile computer system, comprising:

detecting the ambient noise ~~via~~ through a microphone built-in to a case of the mobile computer system;

generating a noise cancellation signal based on the detected ambient noise; and

mixing the noise cancellation signal with ~~the~~ an audio signal from ~~the compact disc~~, an audio source on the mobile computer

wherein the mixed signal is ~~applied~~ supplied to a standard headphone compatible audio output connection on the case of the mobile computer system to reduce the ambient noise ~~in~~ perceived by a user wearing the headphones and listening to the mixed signal through the headphones.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8 and further comprising converting the detected ambient noise to an electrical signal.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 wherein ~~detecting the ambient noise~~ generating the noise cancellation signal is performed ~~using a built-in microphone within~~ by a processor of the mobile computer system, and mixing the noise cancellation signal is performed by a sound card of the mobile computing system that is connected to the standard headphone compatible audio output connection of the mobile computer system.

11. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 wherein generation of the noise cancellation signal is ~~done~~ performed when ~~the~~ an optical disc drive of the mobile computer system is active.

12. (Original) The method of claim 8 wherein generation of the noise cancellation signal is initiated manually via a software interface.

13. (Currently Amended) A machine readable medium having machine readable instructions stored thereon for causing a computer to perform the steps comprising:

detecting environmental background noise ~~via~~ through a microphone ~~built-in to~~ integrated into a case of the computer;

converting the detected environmental background noise into an electrical signal;

generating a noise cancellation signal based on the electrical signal by a microprocessor integrated into the computer; and

mixing the noise cancellation signal with an audio signal for provision provided by an application program operating on the computer or a device integrated into the computer; and

directing the mixed audio signal and noise cancellation signal to a standard headphone compatible audio output connection on the case of the computer to reduce headphone noise perceived by a user of a headphone connected to the standard headphone compatible audio output connection.

14. (Currently Amended) The machine readable medium of claim 13 wherein the step of generating a noise cancellation signal is initiated and performed automatically when ~~the~~ an optical disc drive of the computer is active and producing the audio signal.

15. (Original) The machine readable medium of claim 13 wherein the step of generating a noise cancellation signal is activated through a software interface.

16. (Currently Amended) A personal computer comprising:
a portable housing;
a microprocessor ~~mounted on~~ integrated into the housing;
memory integrated into the housing and coupled to the microprocessor,
a storage device integrated into the housing and coupled to the
microprocessor;
an audio source integrated into the housing and configured to produce
an audio signal;
a microphone ~~built into~~ integrated into the housing ~~for and capable of~~
detecting noise ambient to the housing, the microphone being coupled to the
microprocessor to provide a signal to the microprocessor corresponding to a
level of the ambient noise level;
a noise cancellation module ~~coupled to the microphone that generates~~
operating on the microprocessor to generate a noise cancellation signal
responsive to the signal corresponding to the level of detected ambient
noise; and
a digital signal processor ~~for mixing~~ configured to mix the noise
cancellation signal with ~~[[[an]]]~~ the audio signal provided from a desired
the audio source for provision, the mixed signal being connected to a
standard headset/headphone compatible audio output connection on the
housing of the mobile computer system to reduce headphone noise in
perceived by a user wearing headphones connected to the audio output
connection and listening to the mixed signal through the headphones

17. (Currently Amended) The personal computer of claim 16 and
further comprising a display device integrated into the ~~display device~~
housing.

18. through 20. (Cancelled)

21. (Currently Amended) The personal computer of claim 1 wherein the audio source comprises ~~a compact~~ an optical disc ~~playing game or music sounds~~ player.

22. through 38. (Cancelled)

39. (New) The personal computer of claim 1 wherein the mixed audio signal and noise cancellation signal are further directed to a speaker integrated into the case of the computer.

41. (New) The machine readable medium of claim 13 wherein the mixing of the audio signal and noise cancellation signal is performed by a processor integrated into the case of the computer.

42. (New) A personal computer system with integrated noise reduction, comprising:

a personal computer housing;

a processor integrated into the housing;

an audio source integrated into the housing and configured to produce an audio signal;

a microphone integrated into the housing and capable of detecting noise ambient to the housing, the microphone being coupled to the microprocessor to provide a signal to the processor corresponding to an ambient noise level;

a noise cancellation module operable on the processor, the noise cancellation module generating a noise cancellation signal responsive to the signal from the microphone corresponding to the ambient noise level; and

a digital signal processor coupled to the noise cancellation module and configured to mix the noise cancellation signal with an audio signal provided from a desired source the digital signal processor being connected to a standard headphone compatible audio output connection integrated on the housing to reduce noise perceived by a user of a headphone connected to the standard headphone compatible audio output connection.

43. (New) The system of claim 42 wherein the audio source comprises an optical disc drive integrated into the housing for providing the audio signal.

44. (New) The system of claim 42 wherein the noise cancellation module comprises a software program running on a processor.

45. (New) The system of claim 42 wherein the processor is the central processing unit for the computer system.

46. (New) The system of claim 42 wherein the digital signal processor is located on a sound card integrated into the housing